

Kelleher, James F.

**James F. Kelleher
Trains Air Pigeons**

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James Francis Kelleher, who hails from this city, is stationed at the Houma, La., Naval Air Station, where he conducts basic, primary and advanced air schools—for pigeons.

Pigeon Instructor 3C Kelleher trains his charges to carry messages from a blimp when its transmitter has to be cut off because the enemy might pick up its message and spot its source.

Flight Instructor Kelleher trains the birds to fly at least 100 miles from a blimp to the Houma base. He also keeps a strict history on each of them and sees they are properly fed and given a rest when they suffer from "battle-fatigue."

Kelleher's wife, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Story, 426 Fourth Avenue, is now residing in Houma, Louisiana.

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